

REMARKS

1. This amendment is filed in response to an Office Action mailed 12/08/2004. Claims 1-12 were pending in the Application. Claims 1-2 and 7-8 were rejected. Claims 3-6 and 9-12 were objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

2. Claims 3 and 9 are amended to include the limitations of base claims 1 and 7 and intervening claims 2 and 8. Claims 1, 2, 7 and 8 are canceled.

3. It is believed that this Amendment is responsive to the Office Action and that claims 3-6 and 9-12 as amended should be allowed. Accordingly, the Applicant requests allowance of claims 3-6 and 9-12.

4. The Examiner is respectfully requested to direct any queries on the prosecution of this Application to the undersigned at the telephone number shown below.

Respectfully submitted,

 2/10/2005

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date

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